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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Vaillant and Juteau  
Title: ANTIVIRAL  
OLIGONUCLEOTIDES  
TARGETING VIRAL FAMILIES  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115**

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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers and prior to examination of the present application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: